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Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room #8-B-201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Free Universal Wireless Broadband

Mr. Chairman:

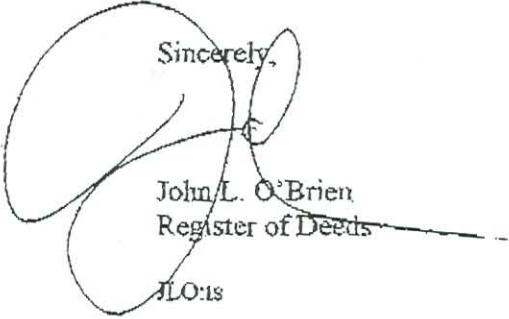
It's my understanding that at present the FCC is reviewing a proposal that if approved would provide fast, free, and family friendly universal wireless Internet access throughout the country.

I think this is a wonderful idea, a truly American idea that showcases perfectly our unparalleled sense of community and opportunity. To fully access our economy, government services and media outlets, our citizens need affordable access to broadband technology. Such access would expand the everyman's ability to have a voice in community, state and national issues, to help contribute to the strength of America's economy and better take advantage of the many services offered by our government on-line.

Universal broadband access would also help remove many of the current technological challenges being faced by underserved communities, both rural and urban. Extending free wireless Internet access to everyone would most certainly help all Americans compete for jobs in the information economy and allow us to catch up to many in the global community that already consider universal Internet access a given right of the citizenry.

This is an extraordinary opportunity to help all Americans. Please consider the multitude of benefits associated with the proposals currently in front of the FCC. Every American deserves access to the fast and free universal wireless broadband access.

Sincerely,



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